Assembly Bill No. 2520

CHAPTER 384

An act to add Section 23399.4 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to alcoholic beverages.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2520, Thomson. Alcoholic beverages: permits: winegrowers.

Existing law permits the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue special temporary licenses and permits to various entities for limited purposes.

This bill would permit the department to issue a certified farmers' market sales permit to allow a licensee under a winegrower's license to sell wine produced and bottled by the winegrower at certified farmers' market locations, under specified conditions.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 23399.4 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

23399.4. (a) A licensee under a winegrower's license may apply to the department for a certified farmers' market sales permit. A certified farmers' market sales permit shall authorize the licensee, a member of the licensee's family, or an employee of the licensee to sell wine produced and bottled by the winegrower entirely from grapes grown by the winegrower at a certified farmers' market at any place in the state approved by the department. The permit may be issued for up to 12 months but shall not be valid for more than one day a week at any single specified certified farmers' market location. A winegrower may hold more than one certified farmers' market sales permit. The department shall notify the city, county, or city and county and applicable law enforcement agency where the certified farmers' market is to be held of the issuance of the permit. A "certified farmers' market" means a location operated in accordance with Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section 47000) of Division 17 of the Food and Agricultural Code, and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

(b) The licensed winegrower eligible for the certified farmers' market sales permit shall not sell more than 5,000 gallons of wine annually pursuant to all certified farmers' market sales permits held by any single winegrower. The licensed winegrower shall report total certified farmers' market wine sales to the department on an annual

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basis. The report may be included within the annual report of production submitted to the department, or pursuant to any regulation as may be prescribed by the department.

- (c) The fee for any permit issued pursuant to this section shall be forty dollars (\$40).
- (d) All money collected as fees pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Alcohol Beverage Control Fund as provided in Section 25761.